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If our friends who favor us with manu-cripts and illustrations for publication wish to have rejected articles returned they must in all cases send stamps for that purpose.

Who Disobeyed Orders?

According to passengers on the first section of the eastbound Lake Shore train which was run into by the second section at Amherst, Ohio, yesterday, the pilot of the following train smashed the rear coach before the cars had come to a standstill, or immediately after. What was the secthe first section had cleared it?

This question will occur immediately to every intelligent traveller. In ciaries; and the property owners of the New Haven's wreck at Milford. the engineer responsible for the disaster disregarded the signals set hire to serve them. against him. Did the Lake Shore engineer do the same thing? And are the caution and stop signals customarily ignored? If they are, the signal systems might profitably be torn out, and dependence for safety secured by Government bonds? reposed in the quickness and skill of the engineers.

As THE SUN has often said, a rear end collision is beyond excuse. It has received from the Treasury Decan be explained, but the explana- partment and elsewhere, nor by the tion inevitably reveals disobedience to unilluminating comments of our orders, neglect of equipment, or fall- neighbor the World. Such response ure to provide the essential machin- as our inquiry has so far evoked has ery for safe operation of the roads dealt with the figures of the counon which the "accident" happens.

"Absolutely Fair."

The proposed investigation referred to in the subjoined sentences from President Wilson's letter of March 28 to the majority leader of the House of Representatives has been urged to guide Congress in amending the acts regulating the common carriers of

of capital importance that we should lay a new groundwork of actual facts \$17.84 in 1863. The situation is re- with the respectable members, the for the necessary future regulation.

"I know that we all want to be abso lutely fair to the railroads, and it seems but when there is an abnormal cur- to heed the malicious whispering of to me that the proposed investigation is rency of gold the excess urges a con- the Nebraska incubus. the first step toward the fulfilment of traction of paper money. that desire.'

The desire to be "absolutely fair" has certified the justice of their de- increases? mand, and yet a serious effort is Through the Kansas City Reserve patriotic exercise of that ability. making to cut down the rates now Bank, the nearest to the centre of the in force. In this we see no sign of cheap money delusion with which pol-

railroads. But we must look to some. serve banking system was established thing more substantial than the to facilitate currency contraction fore sharply criticised. But in adsupport the hope that the inquiry but it is not working that way. will be undertaken.

A Foolish Notion.

If it is true, as reported in Washington, that any Republican Senators are charging the President with "using the Mexican expedition to further his political interests." those Republican Senators are talking foolishly. It seems to be their view that Mr. WILSON'S purpose is to have General PERSHING'S operations drag on into the Presidential campaign. Evidently they do not know Pershing. He must be eating his heart out now because two weeks have passed and he has Certainly the Brigadier in command of the American expeditionary force could not be used as a tool by the

Administration. As for Mr. Wilson, he must be walking the floor nights because President does not desire armed interhe can with the bandit leader alive remain in Mexico the greater the danger of grave complications with the Carranza Government, which President Wilson has recognized. His Mexican policy will meet with zine neroes the line.

The American people do not want

impossible to convince the Mexicans the unfeathered biped which loves But Mr. Baken saw there was no time that armed intervention is not inended. Mr. Wilson understands with fire and in the end would get burned. Even his opponents in the Senate should give him credit for as much sense. They are certainly not they bring such a charge against him. is It is charitable to suppose that they are suffering from the megrims.

Senator Lawson's Police Bill.

Senator Lawson's bill dividing the police force into grades and fixing the salaries of its members is mandatory legislation regulating the internal affairs of this city. It is a sample of the class of enactments that interfere with the administration of the town's government, take the taxpayers' money without consulting them. and weaken the authority of the officers elected to manage the business of the city.

It should be defeated, not because of the character of the pay schedules it proposes, or because it would impose a new and unnecessary burden on the treasury, but because it is in flagrant violation of the principle of home rule. The Board of Estimate and the Board of Aldermen are the legislative bodies that should decide what salaries should be paid to policemen, firemen, street cleaners and other city employees. The Legislature should have nothing to do with such details of housekeeping. It ond section doing in the block before cannot know the city's needs, however well informed it may be on the ambitions of its prospective benefi-New York are as much entitled to

Swelling a Redundant Currency.

Why are the Federal Reserve banks putting out circulating notes like the national bank notes and like them

This question, which we ask for the third time, is not answered by the communications which THE SUN try's huge supply of currency and their significance. It misses or avoids the point of our interrogation.

The currency figures were adduced in discussion of the original question. States rose from \$34.55 on March 1. that duty. 1915, to \$38.54 on March 1, 1916, and

Nor does it make much difference to the railroads is at present exem- scribed in terms of inflation. We tion of important matters, the great shall agree to speak of the currency supply bills, the bills required to re further by legislative enactment the as merely in a state of plethoric re- plenish the Treasury to provide those inequitable payments made for trans- dundancy, but the question still re- supplies, the army and navy preparaporting the mails. The railroads have mains: Why are the Federal Reserve tion bills. made their plea for higher compensa- banks apparently operating to aggra-

a desire to be fair to the railroads, Ities has been afflicted for decades,

to represent the ideas of the Federal retary of War. Reserve Board, provides, among other things, for changes in the restrictions pansion. Yet nothing is more certain ture. But accounts of him agree that courage? than that advantage will be taken of he learns quickly and remembers opportunities for expansion of note what he learns. He displays zeal issues when liberal facilities are af- and he is industrious. Everybody forded, and that the result will be who does business with Secretary not accounted for Francisco Villa. an increased difficulty of contraction Baker finds him attentive and polite.

VILLA has not been caught. As the tributory to the further inflation of formation to guide him in the disa money supply already abnormal to charge of his duties. It is said that vention in Mexico he wants Pershing which the Federal Reserve system he at once made friends with the to get out of the country as quick as seems to be lending itself. Whether General Staff. He was wise, for the reserve bank organization is an there is no more competent and conor dead. The longer American troops engine of inflation depends in the last scientious officer in the service than analysis on what it does.

At the End of the Story.

Who wrote Shakespeare's plays? he possesses. Is there, or is there to be, a Great absolute and irretrievable failure if American Novel? Is the new poetry BAKER to organize the expedition into a spark gets into the powder maga- new, and is it poetry? Answers to Mexico he turned to General Scott these questions and a multitude like for advice and followed it in every them are as evasive as the identity particular. A man with a single war with Mexico, and they are fear- of the assailant of Billy Patterson, track mind would have hemmed and ful that if the pursuit of VILLA is but the quest is never abandoned, hawed, tried to look the part of Sec-

better than anything else a debate, and best of all debates that which his, and he knows that if he tried leaves the question as open as it was proposed to him. That is to say, he to turn the Mexican expedition to before the floodgates of argument understood his own limitations, was political account he would be playing parted, is the question of the "happy not afraid of being thought ignorant

ending." A "forthcoming feature of the fillums" has posed the question anew. a loyal and capable subordinate. Should the picture story end hapshowing ordinary intelligence when pily or tragically? Two dozen the atre managers and movie reviewers demonstration of the opposite possibilities. Two sets of pictures were The vote was a tle, one dozen for sentiment, the other for logic,

But the vote was not strictly on the merits of the question, nor was it dictated by the unprejudiced opinion of the individual critics. Base commercial considerations ruled. By honthe sad ending was the more artistic, the happy one false to the logic of the plot. But these arbiters, torn between art and business, left decision to the toss of a coin, and the force of gravity decided that the patrons of the pictures would be better pleased to lose the art and the logic and leave the theatre with smiles, not tears, on their faces.

Sentiment is often gloomy, and of its pap bottle say it wants.

stories put up in alternative forms. may sit behind a full hand. the buyer's taste.

Mr. Kitchin's Awakening.

We recently suggested that enactment of needed Federal laws was imperilled because of lack of sympathy KITCHIN with the legislative probut rather to shape the inquiry as gramme of preparedness. We have bearing on the future than to debate freely admitted Mr. KITCHIN'S emithe immediate portents of inflation, nent ability to perform the duty for The facts about currency conditions which he as majority leader in the are that the circulating medium of House is primarily responsible, while gold, silver and paper in the United lamenting his failure to proceed with

It is a pleasure now to note ev that this was the largest gain for dence that Mr. KITCHIN is acting with any year in the past century except skill and seeming determination his the increase from \$10.23 in 1862 to proper rôle, a leader in sympathy deemed somewhat by the prevailing large majority, of his party. There gold character of the recent increase, are agreeable signs that he has ceased

The House caucus on the night of March 24, called by Mr. KITCHIN, whether the existing situation is de- adopted plans to expedite considera-

We have not doubted Mr. KITCHtion to Congress; a joint commission vate this condition by paper money in's ability as a legislator; we shall a particularly cold blooded murderer welcome occasion to praise him for irresistibly moved to believe that "the

A Good Beginning.

It is too early to estimate Newton Mr. Wilson to the contrary notwith- the reserve banking system has dur- Dient Baker's promise as Secretary ing the month of March been adding of War. He entered upon his duties The investigation in behalf of its own bond secured currency to the with two things in his favor; he was new schemes for forecasting the which the President wro e would re- other varieties and to the total of the a sound lawyer with a liberal mind, weather weeks or months in advance." veal the ignorance on which much monetary circulating medium. All the and as Mayor of Cleveland he had regulatory legislation is based, and circumstances of the money market, shown executive ability of no mean disclose the mischief many of the en- of financial conditions generally, and order. He was not parochial; he had actments have caused. It should be especially of the stock of currency, mixed with men of all classes. It is made, and until it is finished there call for a contraction of paper money. true that no man could well know the Supreme Court. should be no more assaults on the It will not be disputed that the rement, and his appointment was there-Congressional longing for justice to when such contraction was desirable; mitting his shortcomings and taking More than that, the reserve banks off his coat in a businesslike manner

It is not our purpose to praise Major-General Hugh L. Scott, and the assistants of the Chief of Staff have been selected for the qualities

As soon as it fell to Secretary prolonged for many days it may be Equally enthralling of the interest of retary of War, and delayed the game.

to lose, cut out ceremony, and approved of everything General Scott of his new duties, and instinctively felt that in the Chief of Staff he had

In this attitude of Mr. BAKER We see the brightest promise of his success as Secretary of War. In a sat in solemn conclave on the weighty democracy such as ours is the heads question. They had the advantage of the War and Navy departments over literary critics of swift ocular should be civilians, but they should respect the professional skill of the officers appointed or selected to assist shown, one with joy in the closing them, and they should know how to scenes, the other with stark tragedy. avail themselves of it. A Secretary of either department who imposes his inexperience on the service, disregards technical advice, rebuffs men of merit, violates traditions, intro duces politics into his administration, gathers favorites and parasites around him, and sets up as a Poohest confession, the voters agreed that Bah or boss, will end by demoralizing the service and ruining its prestige. To judge from the beginning he has made NEWTON D. BAKER will not be that kind of Secretary.

The Innocence of Poker

"Poker," rules Magistrate Levy. "cannot justly be considered gambling." He supports the contention frequently put forward by Old Man many an affectedly stern looker on Greenlaw, and sustained by the recin the world of drama loves surrepti- ord of the proceedings in the back tiously to wet a handkerchief. And room of that philanthropist's Arkanthere is a difference between "what sas City establishment. Poker is an the public wants" and what the fillers art, a science, a profession, an industry. From it the student derives! But the question of the happy end-But the question of the happy end-larity at numerous institutions of part. Rates are the lifeblood of ing is still in suspense. Why do not larity at numerous institutions of part. Rates are the lifeblood of the and \$127,402,000 in national bank notes. consideration as are the men they by offering both? If the unkind "law quires analysis, inculcates caution, only of diminishing returns" forbids such No practitioner of poker will be deof diminishing returns forbids such coived by outward appearances; he try and of the railroads. The two generous provision for differences in ceived by outward appearances; he try and of the railroads. The two taste, we might at least have our has learned that a disconsolate face

stories put up in alternative forms, may sit behind a full hand.

Thus picture plays could be anThe dictionary, record of human Will Federal incorporation insure a Fed-Thus picture plays could be an incompared for Mondays, Wednesdays hopes and progress, sustains the Mag-cral transportation system, or must Congress assert its power through a and Fridays with happy ending, and for Tuesdays, Thursdays and Saturthe players bet on the value of their occupy the field of regulation as to exdays with the tragic conclusion, while hands, and he whose hand contains clude outside interference? days with the tragic conclusion, white hands, and he whose hand contains novels could be put out in loose leaf the highest group of cards wins the editions, with the last chapter in pool or entire sum wagered, provided the whole field of control, to the exceptificates for a corresponding amount pamphlet form to be tucked into an he has carried the betting through": envelope inside the back cover, to suit this is the lexicographer's stilted way

shown by Representative CLAUDE or chips at the end of a specified time

ransforms this innocent and highly intricate pastime into an agency for have known that, in the nature of the extraction of good money from the control of that business fact that the name of poker is associform Old Poker designates specifically that foe of mankind whose commoner appellation is the Devil.

With its war on cocktails and cigathe lie to an ancient reputation.

As we watch the tollsome efforts to save by the familiar plea of insanity from punishment for his crime, we are man from Egypt" may be a close kinsman of Oliver Osborne.

"Throughout its history," says C. F. Marvin of the Weather Bureau, "the bureau has been called upon from time to time to caution the public against Is there a cynic mean enough to say

He can drink and hold his end up-Character testimony for a defendant in Well meant, perhaps, but such evienrolling the man in whose behalf is given as a "good fellow"

The Authors Club of this city will Mr. Baker made a good impression, celebrate the one hundred and fiftieth owen bill, recently introduced into able Mexican adventure he kept his the Senate to amend the Federal Reserve act, for a larger freedom of or- head and his temper. He did noth- are growing constantly more graspdinary reserve note Issue in the future. The Owen bill, which purports country soon got used to him as Sec- erty of the Ananias Club. The Au thors Club may be in grave danger of a suit for damages.

The forty-three seniors at Princeton placed on ordinary reserve note issues to win, and is being put to a severe who say they have never kissed the that will conduce to easier note ex- test. Encomiums would be prema- girls lack something. Is it candor or

Yes, eggs this year will be much cheaper than usual for Easter.
C. R. QUINET. PLEASANTVILLE, March 29.

New York. Would you know what New York is? To the East Side hie.

Where the alien faces fuse. Every ship pours in a stream Of the polyglot. for the nation New York serves As a melting pot.

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Would you know what New York is? To the West Side hie. Where along the Great White Way Wealthy lobsters vie. Drawn from Frisco, drawn from Maine,

As a chafing dish. McLANDBURGH WILSON.

RAILROAD REGULATION. The Conflict Between State and Federal Jurisdiction.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE SUN—Sir: In THE SUN of March 23 appears a con-tribution by Mr. Stuyvesant Fish on railroad regulation. Mr. Fish suggests

because such action would involve re-inquishment of valuable rights granted by the States, would necessitate a by the States, would necessitate a change of corporate name and loss of good will and credit. He concludes that Federal incorporation would only complicate an already involved situation.

Concurrent regulation by the Federal converse and the same and by the States creates an impossible situation. While theoretically the Federal Government concerns an impossible situation. While theoretically the Federal Government concerns itself with interstate commerce and the several States with commerce within their respective borders, the fact is that each and every one of these governmental agencies is regulating not the abstraction "commerce," but the rail-roads over which "commerce among the commerce among the commerce among the commerce was an actual decrease of all other forms of money of \$2,577.944. The ernmental agencies is regulating not the abstraction "commerce," but the railroads over which "commerce among the
States" is conducted. Whatever affects
one portion of such an organism as a
railroad affects every other portion. The
rates established and the practices or
appliances demanded in State A, though
confined in terms to intrastate comimerce, necessarily affect the rates and
practices in State B, and in each case
there is an immediate bearing upon the
rates and practices of the roads over
which interstate commerce flows. When
this condition of conflicting policies and
methods is applied to all parts of the

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hate England, is grotesquely incorrect.
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liminght be premature to say that the liminght be actual gold does not go like the eligible of Brooklyn and Assemblyman
for service in the British army.
The bill was drafted by Dr Thomas
guard could not be enlisted in Ireland
for service in railroad system of the country the con-trol of interstate commerce reserved to Congress by the Constitution is lost. No rtation system can be carried out by he Federal Government so long as the

present condition continues. If a single agency is to take the place numerous agencies now imposing conflicting regulations upon the allroads that single agency must be of Federal creation. The dislike, times expressed, to any extension of Federal jurisdiction is in this case with-out warrant. The States expressly surpower of control is vested in Congress. power in that particular, it remains only to adopt a comprehensive system that will put an end to the present con-flict and inure to the benefit of the coufor narrow views to prevail.

money, as its technical terms show, it looked that many of the transcontinenis now much played simply for amusetal lines were incorporated under special covered paper issues of \$89,157.000 duris now much played simply for amusement, the player who has most counters
or chips at the end of a specified time
being accounted the winner."

So poker has judicial and dictionary vindication from the charge that So poker has judicial and dictionary vindication from the charge that it is gambling; yet we have been told that gamblers adapt it to their told the gamblers and pany in the past told that gamblers adapt it to their told the gamblers and pany in the gamble ga pockets of some for the edifica- that the interests of the nation and the national recreation, rather than any demanded exemption in all things from inherent wickedness of the game it-self, we take to be responsible for the have expressed such intention in language whose meaning would be clear. fact that the name of poker is associ-ated with frightful objects, and in the and similar decisions are that Congress as the power to occupy the whole field of railroad control, to the exclusion of the several States; and that the effi-cacy of the Federal regulation must de-Metropolitan Opera House is to be com-

rights granted by the States, a change of corporate name and consequent loss of good will and credit?

The national banking act (Rev. State. dence comes dangerously near to Sec. 5154) permitted State banks to bewith the consent of two-thirds of the stockholders, executed a certificate of association. This was sent to the Comptroller, who thereupon issued a certificate or charter. It was provided in the act that the directors should continue in office till a new election was held, and the shares of stock, &c., might remain unchanged. In construing the act the courts have held that "State banks may avail themselves of its privileges and subject themselves to its liabilities without abandoning their corporate existence. subject themselves to its liabilities without abandoning their corporate existence,
without any change in the organization,
officers, stockholders or property and
without interruption in their pending
business or contracts.

As between it [the bank] and these who
have contracted with it, it retains its
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LAMES D. Dewet. tween it [the bank] and those who have contracted with it, it retains its identity, notwithstanding its acceptance of the privilege of organizing under the part of the privilege of organizing under the provilege of the privilege of the privilege of organizing under the provilege of the privilege of the when the currency is redundant.

It is not The Sun's present purpose to start controversy on the degree or danger of financial inflation which may now be detected, but to direct attention to the processes condicted attention to the process at the proce

ment of the assets was necessary.

Is it not fairly to be inferred from the decisions quoted that acceptance of a Federal charter could under no cit umstances abate the rights heretofore constances abate the rights heretofore good ear of corn and showed it at the conferred upon roads, assuming of Purdin fair in October, where it work course that the act for Federal incorners that the act for Federal incorners poration is properly designed? These course that the act for Federal incorporation is properly designed? These cases also indicate that no change of corporate name or organization need occur, and there need not be, therefore, any loss of good will or credit. If Congress shall evince a desire to accomplish a necessary end in the simplest and best manner, nowship as in the case of the case manner possible, as in the case of the national banking act, one of the funda-mental difficulties in our present method PHILADELPHIA, March 29.

CURRENCY PROBLEMS.

Assistant Secretary of the Treasury Explains the New Money.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE SUN-Sir: editorial article appeared in THE SUN of March 28 entitled "Inflating the Cur-

in the United States.

Whether this situation calls for con-

traction of currency may be a question for debate, but it certainly does not call given in your paper, that the increase

consists of paper money.
WILLIAM P. MALBURN, Assistant Secretary of the Treasury. Washington, D. C., March 29.

Inflation by Bank Loans.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE SUN-Sir: Have on "Inflating the Currency"? You say that a gross increase of \$581.741.000 is shown; which is reduced to a net in-crease of \$454,180,000 by decreases of \$159,000 in the Treasury notes of 1890

close that half a billion dollars or more of paper money has been added to the circulating supply in the last year. This de-notes an extraordinary situation, one that. in view of the easy condition of the money Do not the figures which you giv

show a material contraction of partly covered currency? The two classes of issues, \$280,058,000 of gold certificates and \$163,378,000 of Federal Reserve clusion of the States, it cannot by Federal incorporation or any other means represent is gold inflation. The increases that control. A Federal charter, creases in silver certificates, United of and by itself, is not a talisman of saying that the best hand wins if of and by itself, is not a talisman its holder isn't bluffed out. But:

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Currency showing an increase in the national bank loans of the country of \$601,000,000 during the year 1915, and the reports of the New York Clearing House banks and trust companies showing a loan increase of \$970,000,000 from

ing a loan increase of \$970,000,000 from March 27, 1915, to March 25, 1916. JOHN FINLET. NEW YORK, March 29.

NEXT. THE BOX OFFICE. Getting the Scalpers Is Good, but Only a Beginning.

is woman's glorious tresses, "Me Man," that has given her the power "Mere Sec. 5154) permitted State banks to become national banks by a very simple nethod. A majority of the directors, with the consent of two-thirds of the stockholders, executed a certificate of two-thirds of the stockholders, executed a certificate of

From the Unionville Republican. It pays to raise good corn when \$18 an be made from a single ear. A Linn county farmer had what he considered a

In the Pennsylvania Bush League. From the Latrobe Bulletin

of railroad regulation can be readily removed through a proper Federal incorporation act. Until the conflict between Sunday at her home in town.

State and Federal jurisdiction is ended.

Mr. and Mrs. Wilber Gibson and daughthere can be no such thing as responsi-ble railroad regulation. Federal incor-poration would seem to be the first step Gibson's father, Henry Bush. Lawrence Bush was a visitor in Latrobe

THE IRELAND OF TO-DAY. With the Dawn of Freedom Her At titude Has Changed.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE SUN-Sir; Vic or Herbert, the distinguished music of March 28 entitled "Inflating the cut of March 28 entitled when the face of the figures length in The Sun, about the attitude of the firsh toward, about the attitude of the firsh toward the world war. Mr. is stated that on the face of the light of the Irish toward the working the contained in the Treasury statement of March 1, 1916, the per capita circulation of paper money in the United tion of paper money in the twelve-

by the roadside or seek a refuge in the poorhouse; nor do those of us who witnessed those things deny or evade the fact that we then hated England with

The resolution favoring that seems an intense hatred, and longed for the of the bill was forced through the Road day when her difficulties would afford of Education yesterday despite the opportunity to throw off an alien But England's and tyrannical rule. But England's led by Thomas W. Churchill, form-changed, and our sentiments toward her president of the board. When the res have been softened accordingly. For a number of years past England has been for a vote and was putting the quest making generous amends for the wrongs when Mr. Churchill demanded the

of the past; and Irishmen's thoughts are of a happy present and not of the cruelties of a bygone time.

Ireland is prosperous and happy, and the day of her freedom, constitutionally obtained is at land. She may not love obtained, is at hand. She may not love on education had been indefinite England at present; but her feelings are poned in the Legislature and may not love on education had been indefinitely po working in that direction. The hundred immediate action was needed. He dreds of thousands of Ireland's sons that the matter be referred to the who have enlisted in the army are not. however, pouring into the trenches to report, as none had ye fight for England alone. Neither are this a rank waste they fighting for France alone; nor even solely for outraged little Belgium. They is honeycombed with error and is are fighting the battle of fighting to free even Germany itself from the tyranny of Prussian despotism. The beloved land of our adoption, like God preserve her in peace to share it ill yet be crowned. JAMES RIDGEWOOD, N. J., March 29.

TRADE RIVALRY.

Figures for Imports and Exports of England and Germany Compared.

ays that England is fighting Germany attitude, saying he had never made the Taking because of rivalry official figures issued by the Board Trade for twenty years previous to 1912, these being the latest figures I 1912, these being the lates, the have, I find that in 1892 British im-have, I find that in 1892 British imand exports amounted to 8. Ten years later, in 1902 134.048. Ten years later, in 1902, these had been increased to £877,630,053, and in 1912 had risen to £1.343,601,761, or an nerease in twenty years of f628,167 .-

but I find that in 1911 German imports and exports amounted to 1942,077,000, as compared to the British 11,237,036, 000, showing Britain ahead of Germany in that year by nearly £300,000,00 And let it not be forgotten that the population of Britain is only 44,000,000 as against Germany's 66,000,000, giving the latter a numerical superiority wages is lower

It may interest Mr. Mueller to know hat in regard to shipping the mercanmarine of Britain in 1912 amounted to 20,500,000 tons gross, NEW YORK, March 29.

sec of the Federal regulations of the act of pend upon the provisions of the act of congress authorizing such incorporation. If the railroad incorporation act shall disclose a clear intent on the part of Congress to remove the corporations so created from State control, the result that these men are breaking the law stand about the opera house. Why stand about the opera house. Why stand about the opera house. Why stand about the opera house, which intend the congress had not adequate incorporated under its it seems to me that not only should not in taxation of framelies. &c, but it seems to me that not only should not not assumed its full power and the management of the Metropolitan. The road summer its full power and the states were still left to follow their leaf of the management of the Metropolitan. The road summer its full power and the states were still left to follow their leaf of the state of the provisions and policies. It is amanages of our New York theating the under the states were still left to follow their leaf and the provisions are the provisions and policies. It is amanagement of the Metropolitan. The management of the Metropolitan. The management of the Metropolitan. The management of the Metropolitan in the state will be a management of the management of the Metropolitan. The management of the Metropolitan. The management of the Metropolitan in the plots who have fought with tooth and not assumed its full power and the management of the Metropolitan. The management of the Metropolitan in the provisions are considered to the provisions and policies. It is management of the Metropolitan in the plots who have fought with tooth and not assumed its full power and the management of the Metropolitan. The management of the Metropolitan in the plots who have fought with tooth and not assumed its full power and the management of the Metropolitan. The management of the Metropolitan in the plots who have fought with tooth and not assumed its full power and the management of the Metropolitan in the plots from disaster in the time of adversity?

They are strangely quiet now. Their blatant cries are stilled. A dismal victory is theirs, for never was a nation so worldly unfit to defend itself or avenge

wormly unit to defend itself or avenge the murder of its citizens as we find our-selves at the present time.

Where the conflagration will end no one can foretell, but as we are drawn deeper and deeper into the mure let those by their malice or ignorance com bated the pleas and efforts of patriotic sacrificed while fighting to avenge the murders of our countrymen.

The Retort Candid. TO THE EDITOR OF THE SUN-SIT: A

'nmasked" and "The World Wide War Trust." I was therefore impelled to write that gentleman this letter: I am one of presumably a number of persons annoyed by the receipt of two speeches made by you in the House opinion, one of the type of Congressmen out teachers' consent and inc. and politics seem to occupy your entire time, while statesmanship is an unknown Kansas, quantity. I am both glad and so

district. Such Congressmen lead one to believe that if we could be rid of Congress we should be better off; for then something would be done by united action to meet. Was held yesterday the grave emergencies that are now con-NEW YORK, March 29.

A Possibility: Not Yet a Certainty. | presidents. Mass Daniel tary, and William H. Bi.

German Americans are against Ameri-can preparedness almost to a man. But they approved preparedness in Germany New York. William they approved preparedness in Germany on the ground that England was aiming to crush that nation.

Now they say that England is preparing to crush the United States, and yet they are against preparedness in the present Shakespearing yet they are against preparedness in the present Shakespearing yet they are against preparedness in illustrated lecture on "Market Police 1. The property of the preparedness in the present Shakespearing yet they are against preparedness in illustrated lecture on "Market Police 1. The property of the educational community and the preparedness in the property of the educational community and the preparedness in the preparedness in the preparedness in the property of the educational community and the preparedness in the preparedne

Progress. Knicker -- How far have we got? Bocker-Preparedness for preparedness.

CLASH ON SMALLER **BOARD OF EDUCATION**

Proposal to Reduce Number t 21 Is Indorsed by Vote of 22 to 16.

CHURCHILL'S FIGHT VAIX

The first clash between the Mitche and Churchill factions in the Board of Education since the annual election

Crown were used ruthlessly to drive Among its provisions is the cutting down the Irish from their homes—often to die of the Board of Education from its pres

sition of the anti-administration to-

tain of defeat. ty-one. Is it because Dr. Finegan say number, and this is simply a factiona thing. Mr. Martin, now so much in thing. ago that he knew of no reason why ent number has been in force for a num ber of years and there has been no blo

on our escutcheon. Forty-six is to To the Editor of The Sun-Sir: In spiracy."

Letter to The Sun Mr. Alfred Mueller Mr. Martin spoke in statement attributed to him by M Churchill, and that he was in favor a small board because he thought th

George J. Gillespie, a suppo Churchill faction and its candidate for the presidency until the day of the ele-tion, when Mr. Churchill requested the he withdraw from the impending defea I have not the later German figures, the question, as the by-laws committee a vote taken.

Mr. Churchill then passed to the se asking that the matter be laid over, bu President Willcox again called favoring the passage of the bill and ! dorsing the measure to cut Board of Education was passed !

Morton Stein of the Churchill fact then introduced a resolution to vacate the one already passed.

"There has never been such despicable exhibition of politics seen this floor," said Mr. Stein. "You rul

1.552 OPPOSE PENSION BILL

Teachers' Petition Forceasts New Fight on Plan. ALBANY, March 29.-W. E. H.

president of the New York car-ers' Pension Association, trans-the Legislature to-day a petit all so New York city school teachers which was introduced the indersement of the pension and mittee of the Federated Teachers Asset clations and, it was sold, if short time ago I received from Representative Clyde H. Tavenner two pamphlets entitled "The Navy League fifty-eight of the 500 schools At this rate, it is a

a fair estimate would s

Centre of the Drama

Insufficient time

way:

DRAMA LEAGUE'S ELECTION ou are not the Congressman from my New York Centre Names Mrs. Haggin as President Again The annual meeting of

Theatre Francais. Mrs. gin was reclected preside McCurdy, Mrs. James Harand Samuel M. Tucker wer TO THE EDITOR OF THE SUN—Sir: The Dort and discussed plans Mrs. Haggin read the p the United States.

In not this curious inconsistency a done abroad by Gordon Craig revelation of the real Teutonic attitude | Heimarut, Another speaker

NEW YORK, March 29. were elected as follows: Mrs. James W. Alexander, \

Miss, Roland Holt, Philip Line Riss, Roland Holt, Philip Line Kate Oglebay, Miss Florence Miss Mary Shea and Samuel M